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<b>PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES:</b>	<b>BOARD OF CLINICAL SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS</b>
<b>MEETING DATE AND TIME:</b>	<b>Monday, June 16, 2014 at 9:00 a.m.</b>
<b>PLACE:</b>	861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware <b>Conference Room A</b> , second floor of the Cannon Building
<b>MINUTES APPROVED:</b>	07/21/2014

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Florienda Scott-Cobb, Professional Member, **President**, Presiding  
Rochelle Mason, Professional Member, **Vice President**  
Sandra Bisgood, Public Member, **Secretary**  
John Mucha, Professional Member  
Kyla Teed, Public Member

**DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT**

Eileen Kelly, Deputy Attorney General  
Gayle MacAfee, Deputy Director  
David Mangler, Director  
Jennifer Singh, Deputy Attorney General  
Jessica Williams, Administrative Specialist II

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Yen-Anh Gibson, Public Member  
Lori Malloy, Professional Member

**CALL TO ORDER**

Ms. Scott-Cobb called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

**REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The Board reviewed the May 19, 2014, minutes for approval. Ms. Mason moved, seconded by Ms. Teed, to approve the minutes as written. Motion unanimously carried.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Ratification of Applications to Sit for the ASWB Clinical Exam**

Ms. Mason moved, seconded by Mr. Mucha, to ratify the application to sit for the ASWB Clinical Exam for Dana Brennan. Motion unanimously carried.

Ms. Mason moved, seconded by Mr. Mucha, to ratify the application to sit for the ASWB Clinical Exam for Chavon Dottin. Motion unanimously carried.

Ms. Mason moved, seconded by Mr. Mucha, to ratify the application to sit for the ASWB Clinical Exam for Maria Elmer. Motion unanimously carried.

Ms. Mason moved, seconded by Mr. Mucha, to ratify the application to sit for the ASWB Clinical Exam for Laurel Stanley Glynn. Motion unanimously carried.

Ms. Mason moved, seconded by Mr. Mucha, to ratify the application to sit for the ASWB Clinical Exam for Sharon Surita. Motion unanimously carried.

Ms. Mason moved, seconded by Mr. Mucha, to ratify the application to sit for the ASWB Clinical Exam for Richard Bell III. Motion unanimously carried.

#### Ratification of Applications for Licensure by Reciprocity

Ms. Mason moved, seconded by Mr. Mucha, to ratify the application for licensure by reciprocity for Dolores Onorato. Motion unanimously carried.

Ms. Mason moved, seconded by Mr. Mucha, to ratify the application for licensure by reciprocity for Joyce Persing. Motion unanimously carried.

Ms. Mason moved, seconded by Mr. Mucha, to ratify the application for licensure by reciprocity for Charles Frazier. Motion unanimously carried.

#### Review of Applications to Sit for the ASWB Clinical Exam Reciprocity (Full Board Review Needed)

The Board reviewed Davis Short's application to sit for the ASWB clinical exam. Ms. Mason moved, seconded by Ms. Scott-Cobb, to table the application, for Mr. O'Brien to complete the supervisory reference form in its entirety for the time period of 2000-2006. Motion unanimously carried.

#### Review Request for Hardship Extension for Ordered Continuing Education

The Board reviewed the hardship extension request submitted by Ms. Helen Murray-Miller. Ms. Scott-Cobb moved, seconded by Ms. Mason, to deny the request, due to Ms. Murray-Miller not putting in any effort to initiate or obtain the required 26 CEU's. Motion unanimously carried. Ms. Murray-Miller will be notified regarding the decision; will be reminded that if she does not comply with the Order by June 21, 2014, that her license will automatically be suspended; and that January 31, 2015 is fast approaching and that she will be flagged for audit at that time.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### Discussion Regarding Proposed Statutory Revisions and Input from Stakeholders

Ms. Kelly and Ms. Williams explained the legislative process to the Board. Ms. Williams suggested that the Board consider moving forward with the multi-level licensure and leaving the state exemption in place for the time being. If multi-level licensure is put in place, current State employees may be compelled to apply for a different licensure level offered by the Board.

The Board discussed OMB's and State agencies positions regarding the proposed bill at length. The Board is not interested in not moving forward with multi-level licensure, but is willing to compromise in regard to the State exemption.

The Board members voiced their frustration with OMB's unwillingness to provide the requested information, pertaining to the number of State employees that would be affected by the proposed bill. The proposal would only affect new hires; current State employees would not be affected by the proposal.

The Board began to draft the professions that would be exempt from the proposed bill. The exemptions are:

- Probation and Parole Officers
- Drug & Alcohol Counselors
- Correctional Counselors
- Clergy Members
- School Counselors
- Case Managers
- Eligibility Workers/Technicians
- Marriage & Family Therapists
- Professional Counselors of Mental Health

The Board is concerned with the State hiring private contractors to provide social work services to citizens.

Ms. Kelly will draft exemption language similar to Minnesota for the Board to review.

Ms. Williams advised the Board that they will need to discuss the maximum number of attempts that a person can sit for the exam. The proposal states that after three failed attempts, a person would have to come before the Board to sit again. Ms. Williams suggested that guidelines be put in place, as the Board would have the discretion for different requirements in regards to the applicants who have failed the exam more than three times. She suggested that a possibility would be requiring that the applicant take a Board approved refresher course or remedial education, after their third failed attempt.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

There was no correspondence.

### **OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD (FOR DISCUSSION ONLY)**

There was no other business before the Board.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

### **NEXT MEETING**

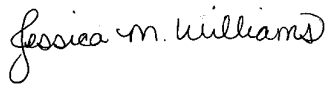
The next meeting will be held on July 21, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. in Conference Room A.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Ms. Mason moved, seconded by Ms. Bisgood, to adjourn the meeting. Motion unanimously carried. There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 10:27 a.m.

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jessica M. Williams". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Jessica M. Williams, Administrative Specialist II  
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